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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicant hereby calls to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office the following patents and other documents which are listed on attached Form PTO-1449.

Each document listed in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from the United States Patent Office in a counterpart PCT application, and this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the mailing date of that communication.

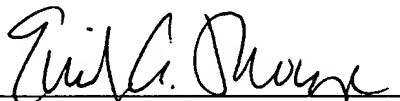
1. U.S. Patent No. 4,234,650 issued November 18, 1980, to Schieber.
2. U.S. Patent No. 4,720,316 issued January 19, 1988, to Ruoff.
3. EP 0 122 150 A2 (Englehard Corporation) 17 October 1984.

Copies of the listed documents are attached.

Applicant respectfully requests that these references be considered by the Examiner and made of record as part of the "available prior art" under 37 C.F.R. §1.104.

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Respectfully submitted,

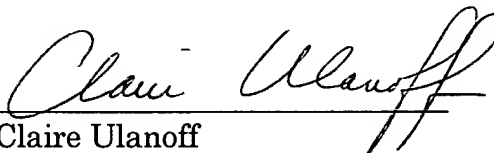

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